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Re New York airtel and LHM dated 3/29/67, concerning KING's plans relative to a meeting in NYC on 4/4/67, and an appearance at Riverside Church the same date.

Enclosed are 11 copies of an LHM reporting information from [redacted], a source close to STANLEY LEVISON, and information derived from personal observation of Agents of the FBI. Two copies are enclosed for Atlanta and one copy is enclosed for the information of the Chicago Office.

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On March 27, 1967, a confidential source, who has furnished reliable information in the past, advised that Martin Luther King and Stanley Levison, while in conference on that date, decided to hold a meeting in New York City on April 4, 1967, to discuss fund raising for the SCLC. This decision was made in view of King's anti-Vietnam war statements. It was felt by King and Levison that they might not be able to get funds for the SCLC and for King in view of his statements and therefore, felt it necessary to consider other avenues through which funds could be raised.

Among individuals expected to attend were Harry Wachtel, Levison, King, Jessie Jackson and Chauncey Eskridge (Chicago attorney and advisor to King and the SCLC).

It was also revealed that on the same date, King would address a meeting at the Riverside Church, New York City, the purpose being to state his views with regard to statements he had made on Vietnam. It was felt that an explanation would counter any attacks made against him for having agreed to participate in the march of April 15, 1967, sponsored by the Spring Mobilization Committee to End the War in Vietnam.

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On March 31, 1967, the same confidential source furnished information that Stanley Levison and Dora McDonald (personal secretary to Martin Luther King) conferred on that date about the fund raising meeting scheduled for April 4, 1967, in New York City. McDonald related that it would be held in King's hotel suite at the Americana Hotel, commencing at 10:00 a.m. and ending at 5:00 p.m. Levison and McDonald agreed that Adele Kantor (special fund raiser and head of SCLC's New York office) and Al Duckett should be in attendance.

On April 4, 1967, a Special Agent of the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) overheard a Negro male ask the inquiry desk at the Americana Hotel, New York City, the room number for the Reverend Andrew Young (the Executive Director of the SCLC). Subsequently, after being told that he was in suite 1501-1502, the Negro male took the elevator which serviced the 15th floor.

Special Agents of the FBI also observed the following activities at the hotel on April 4, 1967:

Martin Luther King, Harry Wachtel and an unknown Negro male walked into the lobby at 10:55 a.m. and took the elevator that serviced the 15th floor; at 11:05 a.m., Andrew Young entered the hotel and took the same elevator; and at 11:12 a.m., Stanley Levison came into the hotel and took the same elevator.

On April 5, 1967, "The New York Times", on page 1, carried an article captioned "Dr. King Proposes A Boycott of War". The article reported that King had a news conference in New York City on April 4, 1967, during which time he called on Negroes and "all white people of good will" to boycott the Vietnam war by becoming conscientious objectors to military service.

Later, the article noted, King addressed an overflow crowd of more than 3,000 persons at Riverside Church, during which he described the American Government as the "greatest purveyor of violence in the world today".

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King also laid out a five-point program designed to
"begin the long and difficult process of extricating ourselves
from this nighmarish conflict".

In his address, sponsored by the Clergy and Laymen
Concerned About Vietnam, King likened the use of new American
weapons on the peasants of Vietnam to the Germans' testing of
"new medicine and new tortures in the concentration camps of
Europe".

In suggesting his program, King made the following
recommendations:

"The end of all bombing in North and South Vietnam."

"The declaration of a unilateral cease-fire in the
hope that such action would create an atmosphere for
negotiations."

"The taking of immediate steps to prevent other
wars from developing in Southeast Asia by curtailing the
military buildup in Thailand and interference in Laos."

"The recognition that the National Liberation Front
has substantial support in South Vietnam and must therefore
play a role in any meaningful negotiations and in any future
Vietnam Government."

"The establishment of a date on which the United
States will remove all foreign troops from Vietnam in
accordance with the Geneva Agreement of 1954."

In tracing the course of American involvement in
Vietnam, the article quotes King as saying that the United
States was on the wrong side of a world revolution and urged
that United States leaders admit "that we have been wrong from
the beginning of our adventure in Vietnam".

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In describing the Clergy and Laymen Concerned About Vietnam, the article in "The New York Times" said it was formed in 1966 and that it has about 5,000 to 6,000 members throughout the country. The bi-racial interfaith group has urged the United States Government to cease bombing North Vietnam and to reduce the fighting in South Vietnam to create a climate for peace talks to end the Vietnam war as quickly as possible.

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Harry Wachtel is the Executive Vice
President of the Gandhi Society for Human
Rights, New York, New York. 



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A characterization of the National Lawyers
Guild is attached hereto. 



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With respect to the Gandhi Society for
Human Rights, it is to be noted that this
organization is an adjunct of the
SCLC, of which Martin Luther King, Jr. is
the president, and serves to raise funds
for the SCLC. 

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The "Guide to Subversive Organizations and Publications", prepared and released by the Committee on Un-American Activities, United States House of Representatives, Washington, D. C., contains the following information concerning the UNAVA: u

- "1. Cited as subversive and among the affiliates and committees of the Communist Party, USA, which seeks to alter the form of government of the United States by unconstitutional means. (Attorney General Tom Clark, letter to Loyalty Review Board, released December 4, 1947) u
- "2. Cited as a Communist front formed to provoke racial friction. (Internal Security Subcommittee of the Senate Judiciary Committee, Handbook for Americans, S. Doc. 116, April 23, 1956, p. 92)" u

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NATIONAL LAWYERS GUILD

The "Guide to Subversive Organizations and Publications," revised and published as of December 1, 1961, prepared and released by the Committee on Un-American Activities, United States House of Representatives, Washington, D.C., contains the following u concerning the National Lawyers Guild:

"National Lawyers Guild

- "1. Cited as a Communist front.
(Special Committee on Un-American Activities, House Report 1311 on the CIO Political Action Committee, March 29, 1944, p. 149.) u
- "2. Cited as a Communist front which 'is the foremost legal bulwark of the Communist Party, its front organizations, and controlled unions' and which 'since its inception has never failed to rally to the legal defense of the Communist Party and individual members thereof, including known espionage agents.'
(Committee on Un-American Activities, House Report 3123 on the National Lawyers Guild, September 21, 1950, u originally related September 17, 1950.)
- "3. 'To defend the cases of Communist lawbreakers, fronts have been devised making special appeals in behalf of civil liberties and reaching out far beyond the confines of the Communist Party itself. Among these organizations are the * * * National Lawyers Guild. When the Communist Party itself is under fire these offer a bulwark of protection.'
(Internal Security Subcommittee of the Senate Judiciary Committee, Handbook for Americans, S. Doc. 117, April 23, 1956, p. 91.)" u

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Re Chicago teletypes 3/25/67.

Enclosed herewith for the Bureau are 11 copies of a letterhead memorandum (LHM) containing information concerning the March 25th Peace Committee parade and rally held in Chicago on 3/25/67. Copies of this LHM are attached for Atlanta and Richmond for information.

- 5 - Bureau (Enc. 11) (RM)
- 2 - Atlanta (Enc. 2) (RM)
 - 1-100-5718 (SCLC)
 - 1-100-5586 (MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.)
- 1 - Richmond (Enc. 1) (RM)
 - 1-157-93 (NSWPP, Aka. ANP)
- 6 - Chicago
 - 1-100-40903 (SDS)
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Copies of this LHM are also being disseminated to the USA and Secret Service, Chicago, and 113th MI Group, Evanston, Illinois, in view of their interest in this matter.

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Information concerning the parade mentioned in the LHM not attributed to confidential informants was obtained through observations by SAs [REDACTED] b7(c)

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There is insufficient information in the files of the Chicago Division to subversively characterize those organizations mentioned herein which have not been characterized.

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Chicago, Illinois

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NATIONAL SOCIALIST WHITE PEOPLE'S
PARTY, also known as the
American Nazi Party (ANP)
MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.

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Reference is made to memorandum dated March 23, 1967, captioned March 25th Peace Committee.

At 1:10 PM, March 25, 1967, approximately 5,000 men, women and children, Negro and white, were led in a parade through the Chicago Loop by Reverend Martin Luther King, Jr., of the Southern Christian Leadership Conference, from the staging area at State Street and Wacker Drive to the Chicago Coliseum located at 1513 South Wabash Avenue. u

Dr. King was accompanied at the head of the parade by Dr. Benjamin Spock, National Co-chairman of SANE, and Albert A. Raby, Convener of the Coordinating Council of Community Organizations in Chicago. The demonstrators in the parade carried picket signs with the following notations: u

"Stop the War"
"Two Billion Dollars a Month High Cost of Arrogance"
"Ceasefire Now"
"War on Poverty, Not People"
"Would Napalm Convert You to Democracy?"
"Self-determination for Vietnamese"
"Abolish the Draft"
"Victory for the NLF"

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Placards carried by the demonstrators reflected the following organizations participated in the parade: u

Veterans for Peace in Viet Nam
Students for a Democratic Society
The Anarchists
The Pacifist League
Women for Peace in Viet Nam
Latin Americans for Peace

The march was conducted peaceably with marchers chanting "Stop War Now," "We Want Peace," and "2-4-6-8, We Do Not Want to Escalate,"

[REDACTED] c b(1) u who has furnished reliable information in the past, had advised that certain members of the Chicago ANP Unit would undoubtedly go down to the Chicago Loop during the "peace march" to be held on March 25, 1967, and create some disturbance to bring u publicity for the ANP.

[REDACTED] c [REDACTED] 7 who has furnished reliable information in the past, advised that certain members of the ANP led by Captain Chris Vidnjevič were on their way down to Chicago's Loop. They were instructed to heckle the marchers and attempt to tear u down signs. b(1)


[REDACTED] c [REDACTED] advised that a number of members of the Chicago Unit of the ANP took up positions along the route of the march. They heckled the marchers and yelled "We Want Rockwell." This source advised that the ANP group found a person passing out signs for use in the parade. The ANP group took as many as they could on three occasions and threw them into the Chicago River. The third time a slight scuffle ensued but there was no police action. The ANP delegation walked to the Coliseum but left u before the rally at the Coliseum was over.

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MARCH 25th PEACE COMMITTEE


 who have furnished reliable information in the past, advised that at the Coliseum after the last of the marchers entered at about 3:00 PM, speeches were given by A. A. Rayner, Jr., newly elected alderman; Patricia Griffith of New York, recently in Hanoi; Dr. King; Dr. Spock and Emil Mazey, Secretary-Treasurer, United Auto Workers, before approximately 5,000 u people.

Dr. King and Dr. Spock, the principal speakers, both advocated a ceasefire in Viet Nam, claiming the United States as the aggressor in that war. They stated the exorbitant cost of the war in Viet Nam was hindering the war on poverty and the goals of the civil rights movement in this country. They appealed for a united effort by peace organizations, civil rights and religious groups to further the cause of peace. u

The other speakers at the rally spoke in the same general vein and urged the United States to end the bombing of North and South Viet Nam, for an immediate ceasefire, to agree to negotiate directly with all parties to the dispute including the National Liberation Front, and to withdraw United States troops from Viet Nam. u

James West was observed unaccompanied in the staging area at State Street and Wacker Drive just prior to the time the parade commenced. u

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On March 25, 1967,  advised that the parade and rally were conducted peacefully and there were no incidents or arrests at either function. u b7(D)

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The following agencies were advised of the above information:

113th MI Group, Region I, Evanston,
Illinois, [REDACTED]

United States Secret Service, Chicago, [REDACTED]

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United States Attorney's Office, Chicago
Assistant United States Attorney A. T. Lescene

Information concerning the ANP is attached.

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APPENDIX

NATIONAL SOCIALIST WHITE PEOPLE'S
PARTY, Aka. THE AMERICAN NAZI
PARTY, CHICAGO, ILLINOIS

A source advised on November 14, 1960, that on that date a meeting was held in Chicago, Illinois, for the purpose of organizing a Chicago Unit of the American Nazi Party (ANP) which maintains headquarters in Arlington, Virginia. GEORGE LINCOLN ROCKWELL, National Commander, ANP, u took charge of this meeting.

On May 22, 1962, MATTHIAS KOEHL, self-identified as lieutenant, ANP, Chicago, advised that the ANP in Chicago is to a degree autonomous although it remains subject to the final authority of GEORGE LINCOLN ROCKWELL and ANP National Headquarters. u

A second source advised on August 17, 1966, that the Chicago Branch of the ANP is currently located at 1314 West Ohio Street, Chicago, Illinois. u

A third and fourth source have advised in December, 1966, that a directive was received from National Headquarters in Arlington, Virginia, by the Chicago Unit of the ANP, 1314 West Ohio Street, during December, 1966, advising that the official name of the organization beginning January, 1967, would be National Socialist White People's Party. u

These latter two sources have advised that since January 1, 1967, the Chicago Unit of the ANP has mailed out official pamphlets and appeals under the heading of the National Socialist White People's Party, 1314 West Ohio Street, Chicago, Illinois (American Nazi Party). u

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APPENDIX

NATIONAL SOCIALIST WHITE PEOPLE'S PARTY,
ALSO KNOWN AS THE AMERICAN NAZI PARTY,
AMERICAN NAZIS, THE WORLD UNION OF FREE
ENTERPRISE NATIONAL SOCIALISTS, THE
GEORGE LINCOLN ROCKWELL PARTY

In his book, "This Time the World," copyrighted in 1961, GEORGE LINCOLN ROCKWELL identified himself as Commander, American Nazi Party of the World Union of Free Enterprise National Socialists (ANP - WUFENS), Arlington, Virginia. u

The April 4, 1963, issue of "The Richmond News Leader," a Richmond, Virginia, daily newspaper, reported that GEORGE LINCOLN ROCKWELL had, on the previous day, again applied for the American Nazi Party to be chartered in the State of Virginia, but this request was turned down by the Virginia State Corporation Commission. This action was taken pursuant to an act of the 1962 Virginia Assembly which prohibits use of "Nazi" or "National Socialism" in a Virginia charter. This article further pointed out that ROCKWELL's Party is presently chartered in the State of Virginia as the George Lincoln Rockwell Party. u

On August 14, 1964, a source advised that ANP-WUFENS was organized by GEORGE LINCOLN ROCKWELL at his residence in Arlington, Virginia, on February 26, 1956, as an international "National Socialist" movement based on the German Nazi Party headed by Adolf Hitler. He added that ROCKWELL is the dominant force and personality in this Party; that he is espousing a "line" of hatred against the Jews and Negroes; and that he is seeking, through speeches, distribution of literature and picketing, to establish a cohesive and dominant political party in the United States and in foreign countries. u

According to the "Stormtrooper's Manual," an official publication of the ANP, the phases of ANP struggle for power are fourfold, namely, first "to make ourselves known to the masses"; second, "the dissemination of our program and truth about the Party"; third, "organizing the people who have been converted to our propaganda"; and fourth, "the attainment of power through the votes of the newly-won masses." u

On August 19, 1966, the source advised that GEORGE LINCOLN ROCKWELL presently believes that he has completed the first two phases in his struggle for power and is well into the third stage, to wit, "the organizing of the people who have been converted to our propaganda." The source added that ROCKWELL had previously believed that he would be elected Governor of Virginia in November, 1965, and when defeated, he made the statement that he was not ready for stage four. u

On December 27, 1966, the source advised that ROCKWELL mailed a communication to all members of the ANP entitled, "National Directive from the Commander, Effective 1/1/67." This communication reflected that the formal name of the Party would be "National Socialist White People's Party" and they would still be known as the "American Nazi Party" and "American Nazis" for short. u

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NATIONAL SOCIALIST WHITE PEOPLES PARTY, AKA AMERICAN NAZI
PARTY (ANP); RM (ORGANIZATION).

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AT ONE TEN PM, MARCH TWENTYFIVE INSTANT, APPROXIMATELY FIVE
THOUSAND MEN, WOMEN AND CHILDREN, BOTH NEGRO AND WHITE, BEGAN
PARADE THROUGH CHICAGO LOOP TO COLESUM, ONE FIVE ONE TWO SOUTH
WABASH, CHICAGO. LAST DEMONSTRATOR IN PARADE LEFT STATE AND
WACKER, STAGING AREA FOR PARADE, AT TWO TEN PM. CONSIDERABLE
NUMBER OF DEMONSTRATORS WERE YOUNG PEOPLE IN FIFTEEN TO TWENTYFIVE
YEAR OLD BRACKET. MANY OF DEMONSTRATORS WERE EXTREMELY SHABBILY
DRESSED AND WORE BEARDS AND GOATEES. MANY PARENTS IN PARADE
BROUGHT CHILDREN, SOME PULLED IN WAGONS, SOME PUSHED IN BABY CARTS
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AND MANY WALKING BESIDE PARENTS. DEMONSTRATORS MARCHED DOWN SIDE OF STATE STREET, MAIN STREET OF CHICAGO'S LOOP, IN COLUMN FOUR ABREAST.

MARTIN LUTHER KING AND BENJAMIN SPOCK WERE TWO OF FOUR PERSONS AT HEAD OF DEMONSTRATION. ALBERT A. RABY, CONVENOR, COORDINATING COUNCIL OF COMMUNITY ORGANIZATIONS, WHICH ORGANIZATION INVITED KING'S SOUTHERN CHRISTIAN LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE TO CHICAGO, ALSO IN FOREFRONT OF MARCH. SEVERAL INDIVIDUALS ALSO AT HEAD OF PARADE, BOTH NEGRO AND WHITE MALES, WORE GARRISON TYPE CAPS WITH PRINTING ON CAPS "VETS FOR PEACE IN VIETNAM."

DEMONSTRATORS CARRIED PICKET SIGNS WITH FOLLOWING APPEARING THEREON:

"STOP THE WAR", "TWO BILLION DOLLARS A MONTH HIGH COST OF ARROGANCE", "CEASE FIRE NOW", "WAR ON POVERTY NOT PEOPLE", "WOULD NAPALM CONVERT YOU TO DEMOCRACY", "SELF-DETERMINATION FOR VIETNAMESE", "ABOLISH THE DRAFT", "VICTORY FOR THE NLF".

AS DEMONSTRATORS MARCHED THEY CHANTED, "STOP WAR NOW", "WE WANT PEACE" AND "TWO FOUR SIX EIGHT WE DO NOT WANT TO
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PLACARDS IN PARADE REFLECTED FOLLOWING ORGANIZATIONS PARTICIPATING:

STUDENTS FOR A DEMOCRATIC SOCIETY, THE ANARCHISTS, THE PACIFIST LEADGUE, WOMEN FOR PEACE IN VIETNAM AND LATIN AMERICANS FOR PEACE.

AFTER PARADE STARTED, A GROUP OF EIGHT INDIVIDUALS IN SIXTEEN TO TWENTYTWO YEAR OLD AGE BRACKET STATIONED THEMSELVES IN FIRST BLOCK WHICH DEMONSTRATORS WOULD PASS AND AS DEMONSTRATORS PASSED SHOUTED, "WE WANT ROCKWELL". THESE EIGHT COUNTERDEMONSTRATORS CARRIED PLACARDS BEARING FOLLOWING:

"WHO'S AFRAID OF THE DRAFT (PEACE CREEPS)", "WE SUPPORT OUR BOYS IN VIETNAM" AND "WE TRIED NEGOTIATING, BOMB HANOI". AS END OF PARADE PASSED, THESE EIGHT INDIVIDUALS PROCEEDED TO MARCH ON SIDEWALK STILL SHOUTING, "WE WANT ROCKWELL" AND WAVING THEIR PLACARDS AT SHOPPERS ON STREET. (ROCKWELL APPARENTLY REFERENCE TO GEORGE LINCOLN ROCKWELL OF ANP).

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[REDACTED] ADVISED TODAY GROUP OF EIGHT ANP MEMBERS AND/OR SYMPATHIZERS IN LOOP AREA, NOT IN ANP UNIFORM, OBSERVING PARADE AND SHOUTING COUNTER SLOGANS AT MARCHERS.

MANY OF DEMONSTRATORS CARRIED SIGNS, "MOBILIZE IN NEW YORK APRIL FIFTEENTH" (IN REFERENCE TO SPRING MOBILIZATION COMMITTEE PLANNED MARCH APRIL FIFTEEN NEXT IN NEW YORK CITY.)

WHILE PARADE PASSING THROUGH LOOP, "YOUNG AMERICANS FOR FREEDOM, INCORPORATED" PASSED OUT LITERATURE CAPTIONED "BEWARE OF COMMUNIST PEACE" WHICH LITERATURE STATED, "DON'T BE TRICKED INTO SUPPORTING THE NO WIN POLICY".

ENTIRE PARADE PASSED THROUGH LOOP AREA OF CHICAGO WITHOUT INCIDENT EXCEPT FOR ONE EGG BEING THROWN AS DEMONSTRATORS STEPPED OFF FROM STAGING AREA. PARADE RECEIVED ONLY PASSING NOTICE BY HUGH THRONG OF PRE-EASTER SHOPPERS IN LOOP AREA WITH SUCH COMMENTS HEARD IN PASSING CROWN AS "LOOK AT THOSE JERKS" AND "THOSE CREEPS".

USA, SECRET SERVICE AND MILITARY ADVISED. CHICAGO PD ON SCENE IN SUBSTANTIAL FORCE. CHICAGO FOLLOWING, LHM FOLLOWS.

MARCH RECEIVING NATIONAL NEWS COVERAGE.

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TO : Mr. Sullivan *Wesley*

FROM : C. D. Brennan *CB*

SUBJECT: MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.
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PURPOSE: To obtain approval to furnish a suggested list of questions to a friendly news source to be used in interviewing Martin Luther King, Jr., President, Southern Christian Leadership Conference.

BACKGROUND: King has been on a two-month vacation in Jamaica writing a new book. During this time he has been attempting to determine what direction he should take in regards to national issues. His inclination is to direct his entire efforts in opposition to the war in Vietnam. During the past two weeks, he has started making public appearances again. In California on 2/25/67 he attacked the war in Vietnam and suggested quitting Vietnam, according to an article in "The New York Times." At one point he made a statement that might be considered revolutionary. He stated in part, "we have got to get out and demonstrate and protest until it rocks the very foundations of this Nation."

Also, while King was out of the country, the voter registration drive in Chicago failed miserably. He is very sensitive about this failure and feels it hurt his public image. He is also sensitive about allegations his personal appeal to the ghetto Negro is waning.

Another factor that is influencing his decision is Reverend James Bevel's leaving his post as Project Director, Chicago Southern Christian Leadership Conference, to become Executive Director, Spring Mobilization Committee to End the War in Vietnam, New York, New York. This also transpired while King was in Jamaica. In addition, Bevel's wife traveled to Hanoi, North Vietnam, late in 1966. Bevel and his wife continue to be paid salaries by the Southern Christian Leadership Conference even though they have new employment.

OBSERVATIONS: It is felt that King would be very vulnerable to an interview by the press, providing the interviewer was furnished a list of suggested questions. The press is

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representative could arrange for an interview ostensibly to question King concerning his new book. During the interview the above-interrelated activities could be developed, particularly to bring out the political reorientation of King's major efforts in relation to United States foreign policy as contrasted to the position taken by other civil rights leaders who have continued to direct their efforts at civil rights. This then could be linked to show that King's current policies remarkably parallel communist efforts. This would cause extreme embarrassment to King. Further, it is felt that since the position and paths taken by King and his group closely parallel that advocated by the Communist Party, this fact should be made known to the public.

RECOMMENDATIONS:

That the attached list of questions be furnished the Crime Records Division in an effort to interest a friendly news media representative in interviewing King.

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QUESTIONS TO ASK MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.

1. How can you, as an ordained minister, justify your efforts in the political area by attempting to influence the United States Government's foreign policy?
2. Do you believe in separation of church and state?
3. In your February 25, 1967, speech in Beverly Hills, California, sponsored by the "Nation" magazine, you did not limit your attack on the war in Vietnam to moral issues. Why do you enter into the political area?
4. In this same speech, are you preaching revolution when you state, "We have got to get out and demonstrate and protest until it rocks the very foundation of this nation"?
5. Why did Reverend James Bevel take a leave of absence to become Executive Director of the Spring Mobilization Committee to End the War in Vietnam?
6. Why did his wife travel to Hanoi, North Vietnam?
7. Did she go as a paid representative of the Southern Christian Leadership Conference?
8. Isn't your organization pursuing a path of antiwar in Vietnam and abandoning civil rights?
9. Did the failure of the voter registration drive by your group in Chicago have any bearing on the departure of Reverend Bevel?
10. Your Project Chairman ~~Hosea Williams~~ announced that the Chicago Negro is not interested in voting. Is this true?
11. According to "Newsweek" magazine, your goal in this drive was 150,000 registered Negro voters but only 320 registered. Is this an indication you have lost your appeal to the ghetto Negro?
12. Was this drive a political issue rather than a moral one?
13. How can you justify your continued efforts to influence political issues?
14. Are your activities closely paralleling the Communist Party line when you attempt to merge the peace issue with poverty and civil rights into one massive political movement, opposing present Government policies?

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15. Do you have any communists currently in your organization?

16. On October 13, 1966, the "Atlanta Journal," a daily Atlanta newspaper, on page 25 of its final edition, published an article entitled "King, Aides Confer, Discuss Black Power." This article lists Stanley ~~Levison~~, a New York attorney as being in attendance at this meeting. Is this the same Stanley Levison that Senator James Oliver Eastland, Mississippi (D), identified in the July 21, 1966, Congressional Record as being a former secret Communist Party member as late as 1963?

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Enclosed for the Bureau are fifteen (15) copies of a
letterhead memorandum relating to the activities of MARTIN LUTHER
KING, Jr., in Chicago over the period 3/24-25/67.

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The character for KING is being shown as Racial
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Chicago is following and the Bureau and any interested
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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Chicago, Illinois

March 28, 1967

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RACIAL MATTER

Reference is made to Chicago memorandum of March 28, 1967, under the following captions: "March 25 Peace Committee, Internal Security - C;" "National Socialist White Peoples Party, Also Known As American Nazi Party (ANP), Racial Matter;" "Martin Luther King, Jr., Security Matter - C."

[REDACTED] advised on March 24, 1967, that Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., President, Southern Christian Leadership Conference (SCLC), was in Chicago, and during the hours of 11:15 AM - 11:50 AM held a press conference at the Liberty Baptist Church, 4849 South Parkway, Chicago, Illinois. b7(D)

As a matter of information, attached to this memorandum is a copy of remarks prepared for delivery by Dr. King during the opening portion of this press conference. This document was made available to all those who attended the press conference and a copy was provided the Chicago Federal Bureau of Investigation Office by [REDACTED]. He advised that King adhered very closely to the contents of this prepared statement early during the press conference, subsequent to which, however, he submitted to a question and answer session from press representatives who attended the conference. b7(D)

In answer to questions proposed to him, King had generally stated as follows, according to [REDACTED]

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He stated there was nothing political in his current visit to Chicago and re-affirmed his commitment to march in the "peace parade" which was to be held March 25, 1967, in Chicago. He stated that he would not change his views insofar as opposing war in general and the Vietnam situation in particular, declaring that he did not believe his involvement with peace organizations would in any fashion hurt the civil rights movement. Reference had been made in his prepared remarks to agencies in Chicago which did not appear to be observing the open housing agreement which had been reached in August, 1966, in Chicago, and he stated that if the agencies involved, such as the Chicago Commission on Human Relations and the like, continued with their recalcitrant attitude, massive demonstrations could be expected in Chicago in the future. He stated that schools in the Chicago area generally must be more completely desegregated and indicated that marches by Negro students from all Negro schools to all white schools might be expected to spotlight the school problems. He noted that Cicero, Illinois, has a reputation of flouting itself as a segregated community, and remarked that demonstrations of necessity might be held in Cicero during the coming summer.

Concerning King's press conference on March 24, 1967, the "Chicago Tribune," a daily Chicago newspaper, contained an article in its March 25, 1967, edition. The article noted King's criticism of the city administration generally to live up to the open housing agreement arrived at last summer, and his comment that it was clear to him that city agencies have not upheld their commitments in connection with the open housing pact.

King specifically had charged that the Chicago Housing Authority, the Department of Urban Renewal and the Chicago Commission on Human Relations had reneged on the agreement and have "given credence to the apostles of social disorder who proclaimed the housing agreement a sham and a batch of false promises.

"I have about reached the conclusion that it will be necessary to participate in massive demonstrations to

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dramatize the problems and the failure of the city." King emphasized that the demonstrations would be "much more massive and much more determined" than those held in the summer of 1966. King denied charges leveled against him the previous day by Chicago's Mayor Richard J. Daley that recent statements made by him, King, were political in nature. He stated that he did not hold Mayor Daley personally responsible for the alleged lack of cooperation by city agencies, but stated ". . . the city administration is as responsible as the agencies. I - - want to make clear that we will be as firm this summer, even firmer, than last year, regardless of who is mayor."

King stated that the civil rights program in Chicago must be carried into Chicago's suburbs this summer. He compared Cicero, Illinois, with Selma, Alabama, and called Cicero "the symbol of resistance to open housing in the Chicago area. We said last summer that we had only postponed our march into Cicero. I think it is absolutely necessary for us to march into Cicero this summer."

King stated that all efforts of the SCLC would be centered in Chicago this summer and that in addition to open housing, the SCLC and other representatives of the Chicago Freedom Movement (CFM) would concentrate on employment, slum conditions and education, as pertaining to the Negro minority here. When questioned about marching Negro students to all white high schools in Chicago, he stated, "I see no answer to the school segregation problem other than demonstrations. We will have to bring the issue to the streets."

The article noted in conclusion that King was in Chicago to speak at an anti-Vietnam war rally the following day at Chicago's Coliseum, 1513 South Wabash Avenue, Chicago. In this connection, he stated that his opposition to the war in Vietnam was a personal matter and has not become a policy of the SCLC.

In connection with Dr. King's participation in the anti-Vietnam rally on March 25, 1967, attention is directed to referenced Chicago memorandum of March 28, 1967, above.

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Attached, however, to this memorandum, as a matter of information, is a copy of remarks prepared for delivery by Dr. King at the Coliseum at the conclusion of the parade and rally on March 25, 1967. This document was made available to the Chicago Office by a confidential source who has furnished reliable information in the past.

Also attached to this memorandum as a matter of information is a copy of an editorial which appeared in the "Chicago American," Three Star Edition, March 27, 1967, reflecting the reaction of this segment of Chicago's press media to King's comments and activities while in Chicago over the period of March 24-25, 1967.

In connection with remarks made by Dr. King while in Chicago over the period March 24-25, 1967, generally critical of the implementation of the open housing accord reached during August, 1966, the "Chicago Sun-Times," edition of March 28, 1967, contained an article which set forth the comments of Mr. James W. Cook, President of the Leadership Council for Metropolitan Open Communities. This is the Council set up for the purpose of acting as a "watch dog" group to insure that the open housing pact would be implemented.

Cook, in a press conference held on March 24, 1967, at 155 North Wacker Drive, Council headquarters, branded King's warning made that same day that Chicago and Cicero may face "more massive" demonstrations during the coming summer as a "negative statement." He stated that talk of "marches, demonstrations, a possible riot and bloodshed has a tendency to uncork the bottle." He advised that he was not aware of King's motivation for these remarks, but felt that his comments did not help the situation. He commended the cooperation given him by local civil rights leaders on the Council, but in connection with criticisms made by representatives of the CFM of the implementation of the open housing accord, described CFM charges as "a breach of faith." He charged that several individuals associated with the local freedom movement had deliberately leaked parts of a CFM report critical of the open housing implementation and referred to this as "the only clear-cut case of bad faith I have encountered since I took this responsibility." Referring

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to the CFM critique of local agencies, he stated, "In some cases accusations were made based on erroneous or insufficient information; in other cases misunderstandings existed, and in still other cases there were honest differences of opinion as to the progress being made . . . My impression is that the city agencies are doing a darn good job on the agreement. . ."

The confidential source, above, advised that during the evening hours of March 25, 1967, Dr. King departed Chicago, Illinois, enroute to St. Louis, Missouri. His mode of travel and his purpose for visiting St. Louis was unknown to this source.

[REDACTED] above, advised on March 27, 1967, b7(D) that there were no disturbances or disorders in Chicago in connection with Dr. King's presence here over the previous weekend.

A copy of this memorandum is being provided to the following:

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Region I, 113th MI Group, Evanston, Illinois

A characterization of the National Socialist White Peoples Party is attached to this memorandum.

Sources used have furnished reliable information in the past.

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AMERICAN NAZIS, THE WORLD UNION OF FREE
ENTERPRISE NATIONAL SOCIALISTS, THE
GEORGE LINCOLN ROCKWELL PARTY

In his book, "This Time the World," copyrighted in 1961, GEORGE LINCOLN ROCKWELL identified himself as Commander, American Nazi Party of the World Union of Free Enterprise National Socialists (ANP - WUFENS), Arlington, Virginia.

The April 4, 1963, issue of "The Richmond News Leader," a Richmond, Virginia, daily newspaper, reported that GEORGE LINCOLN ROCKWELL had, on the previous day, again applied for the American Nazi Party to be chartered in the State of Virginia, but this request was turned down by the Virginia State Corporation Commission. This action was taken pursuant to an act of the 1962 Virginia Assembly which prohibits use of "Nazi" or "National Socialism" in a Virginia charter. This article further pointed out that ROCKWELL's Party is presently chartered in the State of Virginia as the George Lincoln Rockwell Party.

On August 14, 1964, a source advised that ANP-WUFENS was organized by GEORGE LINCOLN ROCKWELL at his residence in Arlington, Virginia, on February 26, 1956, as an international "National Socialist" movement based on the German Nazi Party headed by Adolf Hitler. He added that ROCKWELL is the dominant force and personality in this Party, that he is espousing a "line" of hatred against the Jews and Negroes; and that he is seeking, through speeches, distribution of literature and picketing, to establish a cohesive and dominant political party in the United States and in foreign countries.

According to the "Stormtrooper's Manual," an official publication of the ANP, the phases of ANP struggle for power are fourfold, namely, first "to make ourselves known to the masses"; second, "the dissemination of our program and truth about the Party"; third, "organizing the people who have been converted to our propaganda"; and fourth, "the attainment of power through the votes of the newly-won masses."

On August 19, 1966, the source advised that GEORGE LINCOLN ROCKWELL presently believes that he has completed the first two phases in his struggle for power and is well into the third stage, to wit, "the organizing of the people who have been converted to our propaganda." The source added that ROCKWELL had previously believed that he would be elected Governor of Virginia in November, 1965, and when defeated, he made the statement that he was not ready for stage four.

On December 27, 1966, the source advised that ROCKWELL mailed a communication to all members of the ANP entitled, "National Directive from the Commander, Effective 1/1/67." This communication reflected that the formal name of the Party would be "National Socialist White People's Party" and they would still be known as the "American Nazi Party" and "American Nazis" for short.

STATEMENT BY
DR. MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.
PRESIDENT, SOUTHERN CHRISTIAN LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE
NEWS CONFERENCE, CHICAGO ILLINOIS
MARCH 24, 1967

GOOD MORNING, LADIES AND GENTLEMEN OF THE PRESS.

WE ARE HERE TODAY TO ANNOUNCE MY RESUMPTION OF REGULAR ACTIVITIES IN CHICAGO ON A SCHEDULE SIMILAR TO THAT I MAINTAINED FROM JANUARY THROUGH NOVEMBER OF LAST YEAR. AS MOST OF YOU KNOW, I TOOK A BRIEF LEAVE OF ABSENCE FROM OUR CIVIL RIGHTS ACTION PROGRAM IN ORDER TO WRITE A BOOK ON THE PROBLEMS AND PROGRESS OF THE MOVEMENT DURING THE PAST FEW YEARS, AND THE THRUST OF THE FUTURE. I SPENT THE MONTHS OF JANUARY AND FEBRUARY COMPLETING MY BOOK, "WHERE DO WE GO FROM HERE: CHAOS OR COMMUNITY?". IT WILL BE PUBLISHED BY HARPER & ROW IN MAY.

I AM NOW HERE IN THE PROCESS OF MEETING WITH AL RABY AND CHICAGO'S OTHER OUTSTANDING AND COMMITTED CIVIL RIGHTS LEADERS, EVALUATING THE PROGRESS OF OUR SEVERAL ON-GOING PROGRAMS, AND LAYING PLANS FOR THE NEXT PHASE OF OUR DRIVE TO END SLUMS. YOU CAN BE ASSURED THAT WE WILL SHORTLY PROJECT A FIRM COURSE OF ACTION TO CONTINUE OUR CONFRONTATION OF THE MYRIAD PROBLEMS IN HOUSING, EDUCATION, EMPLOYMENT, HEALTH AND WELFARE FACING BLACK PEOPLE IN CHICAGO AND THROUGHOUT THE NATION.

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HOWEVER, IT SHOULD BE MADE CRYSTAL CLEAR FROM THE
OUTSET THAT MY ABSENCE HAS NOT MEANT A LAPSE OF ACTIVITY IN
THE SPLENDID PROGRAMS THAT WERE INITIATED IN THE CITY LAST YEAR.

TOO OFTEN THE PUBLIC TENDS TO
ESTIMATE THE CIVIL RIGHTS MOVEMENT BY ITS MORE COLORFUL OR
PUBLIC ASPECTS, SUCH AS MARCHES AND DEMONSTRATIONS, AND
UNFORTUNATELY BY THE NUMBER OF SPEECHES MADE BY PROMINENT
PERSONALITIES. THE VERY CONSTRUCTIVE BUT QUIET PROGRAMS OF
PROGRESS GO ON WITH LITTLE ATTENTION, AND WE ARE TOLD THE
CIVIL RIGHTS MOVEMENT IS DYING SIMPLY BECAUSE THERE IS NO
MARCHING IN THE STREETS.

LET US EXAMINE A FEW OF THESE PROGRAMS FOR THE MOMENT.
OUR MOST SUCCESSFUL PROGRAM IN CHICAGO, WHICH IS SPREADING TO
MANY PARTS OF THE NATION, IS OPERATION BREADBASKET. IT HAS
RESULTED IN SIGNIFICANT GAINS, FOR NEARLY A THOUSAND NEGROES
WHO NOW HOLD JOBS AVERAGING \$120 WEEKLY IN BUSINESSES THAT
FORMERLY DID NOT HIRE A JUST PROPORTION OF BLACK PEOPLE.

NEARLY SEVEN MILLION DOLLARS PER YEAR HAS NOW ENHANCED
THE NEGRO COMMUNITY'S CONSUMER POWER.

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IN ADDITION TO NEW JOBS IN THE DAIRY, SOFT-DRINK AND SUPERMARKET INDUSTRIES, NEGRO BUSINESSES HAVE MADE MAJOR GAINS THROUGH THE PROGRAM. PRODUCTS OF NEGRO-OWNED BUSINESSES, AS WELL AS NEGRO-OWNED SERVICES AND FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS, HAVE FOUND AN INCREASINGLY LARGER MARKET THROUGH OPERATION BREADBASKET. THIS HAS IN SOME CASES EXTENDED BEYOND THE GHETTO AND INTO FORMERLY ALL-WHITE MARKET AREAS.

MOST RECENTLY, OPERATION BREADBASKET HELD A LANDMARK SEMINAR IN WHICH A HOST OF PROMINENT BUSINESSMEN AND CONSULTANTS DEALT WITH SOME OF THE MANAGEMENT PROBLEMS FACED BY THE SMALL BUT GROWING COMMUNITY OF NEGRO BUSINESS AND INDUSTRY.

THE ATTACK ON UNDERDEVELOPMENT IN THE NEGRO BUSINESS COMMUNITY WILL SOON BROADEN TO INCLUDE BUILDING CONTRACTORS. NEGRO CONTRACTORS HAVE BEEN DENIED MANY MAJOR OPPORTUNITIES, PARTICULARLY IN THE PUBLIC SPHERE. NO NEGRO CONTRACTOR TO OUR KNOWLEDGE, FOR INSTANCE, HAS EVER BUILT A SCHOOL. THIS MUST SOON CHANGE.

WE WILL, AS I ANNOUNCED LATE LAST YEAR, ATTEMPT TO SEEK OUT NEGRO CONTRACTORS TO WORK ON OUR FEDERALLY-SPONSORED \$4-MILLION DOLLAR HOUSING REHABILITATION AND COOPERATIVE DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM.

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THIS PROGRAM, WHICH WILL REHABILITATE SOME 500 FAMILY-SIZED UNITS IN THREE SLUM AREAS AND TURN THEM OVER TO NEIGHBORHOOD COOPERATIVES, HAS NOW TAKEN OPTIONS ON EIGHT BUILDINGS IN LAWDALE AND EAST GARFIELD PARK HAVING SOME 100 APARTMENT UNITS. WE ARE ALSO INVESTIGATING UNITS IN KENWOOD-OAKLAND.

IN CONNECTION WITH OUR REHABILITATION PLANS, WE ARE DEVELOPING A PROPOSAL THAT WILL GO TO PRIVATE OR PUBLIC AGENCIES TO FUND A \$300,000 PROGRAM TO TRAIN REAL ESTATE MANAGEMENT SPECIALISTS, REHABILITATION SPECIALISTS, SERVICE AND MAINTENANCE PERSONNEL.

WE HAVE ALSO INITIATED A MODEL COOPERATIVE BUYING CLUB FOR THE POOR -- PRIMARILY RELIEF RECIPIENTS WHO CAN UTILIZE FOOD STAMPS. SOME 200 FAMILIES NOW PURCHASE STAPLES AS WELL AS FRESH FRUITS, VEGETABLES, AND DAIRY PRODUCTS AT GREAT SAVINGS.

ON ANOTHER RELATED FRONT, WE ARE IN THE PROCESS OF SOLIDIFYING THE GAINS MADE IN OUR CAMPAIGN TO CREATE VIABLE TENANT UNIONS. WE HAVE BROUGHT ABOUT GENUINE COLLECTIVE BARGAINING CONTRACTS AND THE MANY BENEFITS OF UNIONIZATION IN PLACE OF THE CONTRACTUAL SERVITUDE OF STANDARD LEASES WITH THEIR LOPSIDED IMBALANCE OF LANDLORD RIGHTS AND TENANT RESPONSIBILITIES.

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MORE THAN 10,000 PERSONS ARE NOW COVERED BY ABOUT A DOZEN MAJOR TENANT UNION CONTRACTS WITH LARGE OWNERS AND BUILDING MANAGEMENT FIRMS. MORE THAN A DOZEN OTHER, SMALLER TENANT UNIONS HAVE SPRUNG UP AROUND THE CITY AND HAVE GAINED CONTRACTS THAT WILL RESULT IN REPAIRS AND REHABILITATION, INCREASED SERVICES, AND RENT STABILIZATION.

THE TENANT UNIONS REPRESENT A VIRTUALLY REVOLUTIONARY CHANGE IN THE TENANT-LANDLORD RELATIONSHIP.

THESE ARE SMALL GAINS, INDEED, WHEN WEIGHED AGAINST THE PONDEROUS PROBLEMS OF THE VAST MAJORITY OF THE CITY'S IMPOVERISHED BLACK COMMUNITY. THEY ARE, IN FACT, ONLY MODELS OF SOME OF THE STRUCTURAL CHANGES THAT MUST COME ABOUT BEFORE THOSE ENTRAPPED IN THE DEEP MINESHAFTS OF POVERTY AND SEGREGATION CAN BREATHE THE CLEAN AIR OF JUSTICE AND LIBERATION.

I HAVE REVIEWED A REPORT DRAFTED BY THE FREEDOM MOVEMENT'S EVALUATION COMMITTEE, AND FROM PRELIMINARY CONVERSATIONS, IT IS CLEAR TO ME THAT CITY AGENCIES HAVE BEEN INERT IN UPHOLDING THEIR COMMITMENTS TO THE OPEN HOUSING PACT.

I WILL NOT HERE ATTEMPT TO GO INTO THE DETAILS OF THE REPORT, BUT I MUST EXPRESS OUR SWELLING DISILLUSIONMENT WITH THE FOOT-DRAGGING, NEGATIVE ACTIONS OF AGENCIES SUCH AS THE CHICAGO HOUSING AUTHORITY, DEPARTMENT OF URBAN RENEWAL, AND THE COMMISSION ON HUMAN RELATIONS.

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IT APPEARS THAT FOR ALL INTENTS AND PURPOSES, THE PUBLIC AGENCIES HAVE RENEGED ON THE AGREEMENT AND HAVE, IN FACT, GIVEN CREDENCE TO THE APOSTLES OF SOCIAL DISORDER WHO PROCLAIMED THE HOUSING AGREEMENT A SHAM AND A BATCH OF FALSE PROMISES.

THE LEADERSHIP COUNCIL MUST RECOGNIZE THAT THE CITY'S INACTION IS NOT JUST A REBUFF TO THE CHICAGO FREEDOM MOVEMENT OR A COURTSHIP OF THE WHITE BACKLASH, BUT ALSO ANOTHER HOT COAL ON THE SMOULDERING FIRES OF DISCONTENT AND DESPAIR THAT ARE RAMPANT IN OUR BLACK ^{COMMUNITIES} ~~GHETTOS~~.

FOR MORE THAN A MONTH DURING THE MARCHES WE WERE TOLD TO COME TO THE BARGAINING TABLE, THAT COMPROMISE AND NEGOTIATION WERE THE ONLY WAYS TO SOLVE THE COMPLEX, MULTI-LAYERED PROBLEMS OF OPEN OCCUPANCY.

WE CAME. WE SAT. WE NEGOTIATED.

WE REACHED THE SUMMIT, AND NOW, NEARLY SEVEN MONTHS TO THE DAY, WE FIND THAT MUCH OF THE GROUND HAS BEEN CUT OUT FROM BENEATH US.

HOWEVER, AT THIS JUNCTURE, I CANNOT SAY THAT ALL IS LOST. THERE ARE MANY DECENT, RESPECTED AND SINCERE PERSONS ON THE LEADERSHIP COUNCIL WHO HAVE NOT BROKEN FAITH. I MUST PLEAD WITH THOSE RESPONSIBLE AND RESPONSIVE PERSONS TO TAKE A GOOD, LONG, HARD LOOK AT THE FACTS, AND ACT NOW IN AN EFFORT TO REGAIN THE SPIRIT OF GOOD FAITH THAT EXISTED WHEN WE BEGAN.

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IT IS NOT TOO LATE, EVEN WITH THE FAILURES OF YESTERDAY,
TO RENEW THE EFFORT AND TAKE SOME FIRST STEPS TOWARD THE
GOALS PLEDGED LAST AUGUST. OPEN HOUSING MUST BECOME MORE
THAN A MEANINGLESS SCRAP OF PAPER. IT MUST BECOME A REALITY
IF THIS CITY IS TO BE SAVED.

THANK YOU.

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An Address by
Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.
March 25 Peace Parade and Rally
Chicago, Illinois

I WOULD LIKE TO SPEAK TO YOU CANDIDLY AND FORTHRIGHTLY
THIS AFTERNOON ABOUT OUR PRESENT INVOLVEMENT IN VIETNAM.
WE ARE ALL AWARE OF THE NIGHTMARISH CASUALTIES OF WAR AS
NEVER BEFORE. WE SEE THEM IN OUR LIVING ROOMS IN ALL OF
THEIR TRAGIC DIMENSIONS ON TELEVISION SCREENS, AND WE READ
ABOUT THEM ON OUR SUBWAY AND BUS RIDES IN DAILY NEWSPAPER
ACCOUNTS. WE SEE THE RICE FIELDS OF A SMALL ASIAN COUNTRY
BEING TRAMPLED AT WILL AND BURNED AT WHIM; WE SEE GRIEF-
STRICKEN MOTHERS WITH CRYING BABIES CLUTCHED IN THEIR ARMS
AS THEY WATCH THEIR LITTLE HUTS BURST FORTH INTO FLAMES;
WE SEE THE FIELDS AND VALLEYS OF BATTLE BEING PAINTED WITH
HUMANKIND'S BLOOD; WE SEE THE BROKEN BODIES LEFT PROSTRATE
IN COUNTLESS FIELDS; WE SEE YOUNG MEN GOING HOME HALF-MEN---
PHYSICALLY HANDICAPPED AND MENTALLY DERANGED; WE SEE
CHILDREN THEIR BURNED, BROKEN BODIES STREWN ALONG THE
ROADSIDE RUBBLE.

A WAR IN WHICH CHILDREN ARE INCINERATED BY NAPALM,
IN WHICH AMERICAN SOLDIERS DIE IN MOUNTING NUMBERS WHILE
OTHER AMERICAN SOLDIERS, ACCORDING TO PRESS ACCOUNTS, IN
UNRESTRAINED HATRED SHOOT THE WOUNDED ENEMY AS THEY LIE

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ON THE GROUND, (A WAR THAT MUTILATES THE CONSCIENCE.
THESE CASUALTIES SHOULD BE ENOUGH TO CAUSE ALL MEN TO RISE
UP WITH RIGHTEOUS INDIGNATION AND OPPOSE THE VERY NATURE
OF WAR.

BUT INSTEAD, OUR HEARTS GROW HARD AND COLD TOWARD
THE MOUNTING SUFFERING, AND WE JUSTIFY THIS BESTIAL BEHAVIOR
IN THE NAME OF FREEDOM AND DEMOCRACY.

ONE QUESTIONS WHETHER ANY GOOD END COULD POSSIBLY COME
FROM SO EVIL A MEANS. CERTAINLY, WITH THE HORROR OF WAR SO
NEAR AT HAND, INTELLIGENT MEN SHOULD CLEARLY SEE THAT
THERE CAN BE NO VICTORY FOR HUMANITY THROUGH THIS
CALCULATED INHUMANITY. THE ONLY VICTORY POSSIBLE THROUGH
THIS KIND OF SLAUGHTER ON BOTH SIDES IS THE VICTORY OF EVIL
OVER GOOD. THE QUESTION OF WHICH SIDE IS IN THE RIGHT IS
MOOT INDEED.

LET US EXAMINE THE VIEW THAT WE ARE FIGHTING FOR
FREEDOM AND DEMOCRACY IN VIETNAM.

A BRIEF LOOK AT THE BACKGROUND AND HISTORY OF THIS
WAR REVEALS WITH BRUTAL CLARITY THE UGLINESS OF OUR POLICY.
THE VIETNAMESE PEOPLE PROCLAIMED THEIR OWN INDEPENDENCE
IN 1945 AFTER A COMBINED FRENCH AND JAPANESE OCCUPATION,
AND BEFORE THE COMMUNIST REVOLUTION IN CHINA. THEY WERE
LED BY THE NOW WELL-KNOWN HO CHI MINH, WHO HAD LED HIS
PEOPLE'S RESISTANCE AGAINST THE JAPANESE. EVEN THOUGH THEY

QUOTED THE AMERICAN DECLARATION OF INDEPENDENCE IN THEIR OWN DOCUMENT OF FREEDOM, WE REFUSED TO RECOGNIZE THEM. INSTEAD, WE DECIDED TO SUPPORT FRANCE IN ITS RE-CONQUEST OF HER FORMER COLONY.

PRESIDENT TRUMAN FELT THEN THAT THE VIETNAMESE PEOPLE WERE NOT "READY" FOR INDEPENDENCE, AND WE AGAIN FELL VICTIM TO THE DEADLY WESTERN ARROGANCE THAT HAS POISONED THE INTERNATIONAL ATMOSPHERE FOR SO LONG. WITH THAT TRAGIC DECISION, WE REJECTED A REVOLUTIONARY GOVERNMENT SEEKING SELF-DETERMINATION, AND A GOVERNMENT THAT HAD BEEN ESTABLISHED NOT BY CHINA (FOR WHOM THE VIETNAMESE HAVE NO GREAT LOVE), BUT BY CLEARLY INDIGENOUS FORCES THAT INCLUDED SOME COMMUNISTS. BUT WE SHOULD REMEMBER THAT THE GOVERNMENTS OF VIRTUALLY ALL OUR ALLIES IN WESTERN EUROPE HAVE ALSO AT TIMES INCLUDED SOME COMMUNISTS.

FOR NINE YEARS FOLLOWING 1945 WE DENIED THE PEOPLE OF VIETNAM THE RIGHT TO INDEPENDENCE. FOR NINE YEARS WE VIGOROUSLY SUPPORTED THE FRENCH IN THEIR ABORTIVE EFFORT TO RE-COLONIZE VIETNAM.

BEFORE THE END OF THE WAR WE WERE MEETING 80% OF THE FRENCH WAR COSTS. EVEN BEFORE THE FRENCH WERE DEFEATED AT DIENBIEN PHU, THEY BEGAN TO DESPAIR OF THEIR RECKLESS ACTION, BUT WE DID NOT. WE ENCOURAGED THEM WITH OUR HUGE FINANCIAL AND MILITARY SUPPLIES TO CONTINUE THE WAR EVEN AFTER THEY HAD LOST THE WILL.

DURING THIS PERIOD UNITED STATES GOVERNMENTAL OFFICIALS BEGAN TO BRAINWASH THE AMERICAN PUBLIC. JOHN FOSTER DULLES ASSIDUOUSLY SOUGHT TO PROVE THAT INDO-CHINA WAS ESSENTIAL TO OUR SECURITY AGAINST THE CHINESE COMMUNIST PERIL. WHEN A NEGOTIATED SETTLEMENT OF THE WAR WAS REACHED IN 1954, THROUGH THE GENEVA ACCORD, IT WAS DONE AGAINST OUR WILL. AFTER DOING ALL THAT WE COULD TO SABOTAGE THE PLANNING FOR THE GENEVA ACCORD, WE FINALLY REFUSED TO SIGN IT.

SOON AFTER THIS WE HELPED INSTALL NGO DINH DIEM. WE SUPPORTED HIM IN HIS BETRAYAL OF THE GENEVA ACCORD AND HIS REFUSAL TO HAVE THE PROMISED 1956 ELECTION. WE WATCHED WITH APPROVAL AS HE ENGAGED IN RUTHLESS AND BLOODY PERSECUTION OF ALL OPPOSITION FORCES. WHEN DIEM'S INFAMOUS ACTIONS FINALLY LED TO THE FORMATION OF THE NATIONAL LIBERATION FRONT, THE AMERICAN PUBLIC WAS DUPED INTO BELIEVING THAT THE CIVIL REBELLION WAS BEING WAGED BY PUPPETS FROM HANOI. AS DOUGLAS PIKE WROTE: "IN HORROR, AMERICANS HELPLESSLY WATCHED DIEM TEAR APART THE FABRIC OF VIETNAMESE SOCIETY MORE EFFECTIVELY THAN THE COMMUNISTS HAD EVER BEEN ABLE TO DO IT. IT WAS THE MOST EFFICIENT ACT OF HIS ENTIRE CAREER."

SINCE DIEM'S DEATH, WE HAVE ACTIVELY SUPPORTED ANOTHER DOZEN MILITARY DICTATORSHIPS ALL IN THE NAME OF FIGHTING FOR FREEDOM. WHEN IT BECAME EVIDENT THAT THESE REGIMES

COULD NOT DEFEND THE VIETCONG, WE BEGAN TO STEADILY INCREASE OUR FORCES, CALLED THEM "MILITARY ADVISORS" RATHER THAN SOLDIERS.

TODAY, WE ARE FIGHTING AN ALL-OUT WAR---UNDECLARED BY CONGRESS. WE HAVE WELL OVER 400,000 AMERICAN SERVICEMEN FIGHTING IN THAT BENIGHTED AND UNHAPPY COUNTRY. AMERICAN PLANES ARE BOMBING THE TERRITORY OF ANOTHER COUNTRY, AND WE ARE COMMITTING ATROCITIES EQUAL TO ANY PERPETRATED BY THE VIETCONG. THIS IS THE THIRD LARGEST WAR IN AMERICAN HISTORY.

ALL OF THIS REVEALS THAT WE ARE IN AN UNTENABLE POSITION MORALLY AND POLITICALLY, WE ARE LEFT STANDING BEFORE THE WORLD GLUTTED BY OUR OWN BARBARITY. WE ARE ENGAGED IN A WAR THAT SEEKS TO TURN THE CLOCK OF HISTORY BACK AND PERPETUATE WHITE COLONIALISM.

THE GREATEST IRONY AND TRAGEDY OF IT ALL IS THAT OUR NATION, WHICH INITIATED SO MUCH OF THE REVOLUTIONARY SPIRIT OF THE MODERN WORLD, IS NOW CAST IN THE MOLD OF BEING AN ARCH ANTI-REVOLUTIONARY. CERTAINLY, THIS STREAM OF EVENTS IS NOT CONTRIBUTING TO FREEDOM AND DEMOCRACY ABROAD. IT OFFERS NO HOPE TO AFRICA AND SOUTH AMERICA, AND IT LEAVES US IN THE WEAKEST POSTURE OF WORLD STATURE SINCE OUR BIRTH AS A NATION. THIS WAR IS A BLASPHEMY AGAINST ALL THAT AMERICA STANDS FOR.

NEITHER IS THIS WAR CONTRIBUTING TO OUR FREEDOM AND DEMOCRACY AT HOME.

IN TRUTH, THE HOPES OF THE GREAT SOCIETY HAVE BEEN OVERCOME BY THE FEARS AND FRUSTRATIONS OF VIETNAM. THE PURSUIT OF THIS WIDENED WAR HAS NARROWED DOMESTIC WELFARE PROGRAMS, MAKING THE POOR, WHITE AND NEGRO, BEAR THE HEAVIEST BURDENS BOTH AT THE FRONT AND AT HOME.

THE ANTI-POVERTY PROGRAM IS CAUTIOUSLY INITIATED, ZEALOUSLY SUPERVISED AND EVALUATED FOR IMMEDIATE RESULTS, WHILE BILLIONS ARE LIBERALLY EXPENDED FOR THIS ILL-CONSIDERED WAR. THE RECENTLY REVEALED MIS-ESTIMATE OF THE WAR BUDGET AMOUNTS TO TEN BILLION DOLLARS FOR A SINGLE YEAR. THIS ERROR ALONE IS MORE THAN FIVE TIMES THE AMOUNT COMMITTED TO ANTI-POVERTY PROGRAMS. THE SECURITY WE PROFESS TO SEEK IN FOREIGN ADVENTURES WE WILL LOSE IN OUR DECAYING CITIES. THE BOMBS IN VIETNAM EXPLODE AT HOME: THEY DESTROY THE DREAM AND POSSIBILITY FOR A DECENT AMERICA.

IF WE REVERSED INVESTMENTS AND GAVE THE ARMED FORCES THE ANTI-POVERTY BUDGET, THE GENERALS COULD BE FORGIVEN IF THEY WALKED OFF THE BATTLEFIELD IN DISGUST.

POVERTY, URBAN PROBLEMS AND SOCIAL PROGRESS GENERALLY ARE IGNORED WHEN THE GUNS OF WAR BECOME A NATIONAL OBSESSION. WHEN IT IS NOT OUR SECURITY THAT IS AT

CONSIDERED TO BE THE MOST IMPORTANT OF OUR PROBLEMS, THE ANTI-POVERTY PROGRAMS WILL BE ABANDONED.

STAKE, BUT QUESTIONABLE AND VAGUE COMMITMENTS TO REACTIONARY REGIMES, VALUES DISINTEGRATE INTO FOOLISH AND ADOLESCENT SLOGANS.

IT IS ESTIMATED THAT WE SPEND \$322,000 FOR EACH ENEMY WE KILL, WHILE WE SPEND IN THE SO-CALLED WAR ON POVERTY IN AMERICA ONLY ABOUT \$53.00 FOR EACH PERSON CLASSIFIED AS "POOR". AND MUCH OF THAT \$53.00 GOES FOR SALARIES OF PEOPLE WHO ARE NOT POOR. WE HAVE ESCALATED THE WAR IN VIETNAM AND DE-ESCALATED THE SKIRMISH AGAINST POVERTY. IT CHALLENGES THE IMAGINATION TO CONTEMPLATE WHAT LIVES WE COULD TRANSFORM IF WE WERE TO CEASE KILLING.

AT THIS MOMENT IN HISTORY IT IS IRREFUTABLE THAT OUR WORLD PRESTIGE IS PATHETICALLY FRAIL. OUR WAR POLICY EXCITES PRONOUNCED CONTEMPT AND AVERSION VIRTUALLY EVERYWHERE. EVEN WHEN SOME NATIONAL GOVERNMENTS, FOR REASONS OF ECONOMIC AND DIPLOMATIC INTEREST, DO NOT CONDEMN US, THEIR PEOPLE IN SURPRISING MEASURE HAVE MADE CLEAR THEY DO NOT SHARE THE OFFICIAL POLICY.

WE ARE ISOLATED IN OUR FALSE VALUES IN A WORLD DEMANDING SOCIAL AND ECONOMIC JUSTICE. WE MUST UNDERGO A VIGOROUS RE-ORDERING OF OUR NATIONAL PRIORITIES.

AMERICA IS A GREAT NATION, BUT IN THIS WAR SHE SEEMS BENT ON HER OWN DESTRUCTION. THROUGH RUGGED DETERMINATION, SCIENTIFIC AND TECHNOLOGICAL PROGRESS AND DAZZLING ACHIEVEMENTS, AMERICA HAS BECOME THE RICHEST AND MOST POWERFUL NATION IN THE WORLD. WE HAVE BUILT MACHINES THAT THINK AND INSTRUMENTS THAT PEER INTO THE UNFATHOMABLE RANGES OF INTERSTELLAR SPACE.

WE HAVE BUILT GARGANTUAN BRIDGES TO SPAN THE SEAS AND GIGANTIC BUILDINGS TO KISS THE SKIES. THROUGH OUR AIRPLANES AND SPACESHIPS WE HAVE DWARFED DISTANCE AND PLACED TIME IN CHAINS, AND THROUGH OUR SUBWAYS WE HAVE PENETRATED OCEANIC DEPTHS. THIS YEAR, OUR NATIONAL GROSS PRODUCT WILL REACH THE ASTOUNDING FIGURE OF 780 BILLION DOLLARS. ALL OF THIS IS A STAGGERING PICTURE OF OUR GREAT POWER.

BUT HONESTY IMPELS ME TO ADMIT THAT OUR POWER HAS OFTEN MADE US ARROGANT. WE FEEL THAT OUR MONEY CAN DO ANYTHING. WE ARROGANTLY FEEL THAT WE HAVE EVERYTHING TO TEACH OTHER NATIONS AND NOTHING TO LEARN FROM THEM. WE OFTEN ARROGANTLY FEEL THAT WE HAVE SOME DIVINE, MESSIANIC MISSION TO POLICE THE WHOLE WORLD. WE ARE ARROGANT IN NOT ALLOWING YOUNG NATIONS TO GO THROUGH THE SAME GROWING PAINS, TURBULENCE AND REVOLUTION THAT CHARACTERIZED OUR HISTORY.

WE ARE ARROGANT IN OUR CONTENTION THAT WE HAVE SOME SACRED MISSION TO PROTECT PEOPLE FROM TOTALITARIAN RULE, WHILE WE MAKE LITTLE USE OF OUR POWER TO END THE EVILS OF SOUTH AFRICA AND RHODESIA, AND WHILE WE IN FACT SUPPORT DICTATORSHIPS WITH GUNS AND MONEY UNDER THE GUISE OF FIGHTING COMMUNISM. WE ARE ARROGANT IN PROFESSING TO BE CONCERNED ABOUT THE FREEDOM OF FOREIGN NATIONS WHILE NOT SETTING OUR OWN HOUSE IN ORDER. MANY OF OUR SENATORS AND CONGRESSMEN VOTE JOYOUSLY TO APPROPRIATE BILLIONS OF DOLLARS FOR WAR IN VIETNAM, AND THESE SAME SENATORS AND CONGRESSMEN VOTE LOUDLY AGAINST A FAIR HOUSING BILL TO MAKE IT POSSIBLE FOR A NEGRO VETERAN OF VIETNAM TO PURCHASE A DECENT HOME. WE ARM NEGRO SOLDIERS TO KILL ON FOREIGN BATTLEFIELDS, BUT OFFER LITTLE PROTECTION FOR THEIR RELATIVES FROM BEATINGS AND KILLINGS IN OUR OWN SOUTH. WE ARE WILLING TO MAKE THE NEGRO 100% OF A CITIZEN IN WARFARE, BUT REDUCE HIM TO 50% OF A CITIZEN ON AMERICAN SOIL. OF ALL THE GOOD THINGS IN LIFE, THE NEGRO HAS APPROXIMATELY ONE HALF THOSE OF WHITES; OF THE BAD, HE HAS TWICE THAT OF WHITES. THUS, HALF OF ALL NEGROES LIVE IN SUBSTANDARD HOUSING, AND HE HAS HALF THE INCOME OF WHITES. WHEN WE TURN TO THE NEGATIVE EXPERIENCES OF LIFE, THE NEGRO HAS A DOUBLE SHARE. THERE ARE TWICE AS MANY NEGROES IN COMBAT IN VIETNAM AT THE BEGINNING OF 1967 AND TWICE AS MANY DIED IN ACTION (20.6%) IN PROPORTION TO THEIR NUMBERS IN THE POPULATION AS WHITES.

ALL OF THIS REVEALS THAT OUR NATION HAS NOT YET USED ITS VAST RESOURCES OF POWER TO END THE LONG NIGHT OF POVERTY, RACISM AND MAN'S INHUMANITY TO MAN. ENLARGED POWER MEANS ENLARGED PERIL IF THERE IS NOT CONCOMMITANT GROWTH OF THE SOUL. GENUINE POWER IS THE RIGHT USE OF STRENGTH. IF OUR NATION'S STRENGTH IS NOT USED RESPONSIBLY AND WITH RESTRAINT, IT WILL BE, FOLLOWING ACTON'S DICTUM, POWER THAT TENDS TO CORRUPT AND ABSOLUTE POWER THAT CORRUPTS ABSOLUTELY. OUR ARROGANCE CAN BE OUR DOOM. IT CAN BRING THE CURTAINS DOWN ON OUR NATIONAL DRAMA. ULTIMATELY, A GREAT NATION IS A COMPASSIONATE NATION. WE ARE CHALLENGED IN THESE TURBULENT DAYS TO USE OUR POWER TO SPEED UP THE DAY WHEN "EVERY VALLEY SHALL BE EXALTED, AND EVERY MOUNTAIN AND HILL SHALL BE MADE LOW; AND THE CROOKED SHALL BE MADE STRAIGHT, AND THE ROUGH PLACES PLAIN."

LET ME SAY FINALLY THAT I OPPOSE THE WAR IN VIETNAM BECAUSE I LOVE AMERICA. I SPEAK OUT AGAINST IT NOT IN ANGER BUT WITH ANXIETY AND SORROW IN MY HEART, AND ABOVE ALL WITH A PASSIONATE DESIRE TO SEE OUR BELOVED COUNTRY STAND AS THE MORAL EXAMPLE OF THE WORLD. I SPEAK OUT AGAINST THIS WAR BECAUSE I AM DISAPPOINTED WITH AMERICA. THERE CAN BE NO GREAT DISAPPOINTMENT WHERE THERE IS NO GREAT LOVE. I AM DISAPPOINTED WITH OUR FAILURE TO DEAL POSITIVELY

AND FORTHRIGHTLY WITH THE TRIPLE EVILS OF RACISM, EXTREME MATERIALISM AND MILITARISM. WE ARE PRESENTLY MOVING DOWN A DEAD-END ROAD WHICH CAN LEAD TO NATIONAL DISASTER.

JESUS ONCE TOLD A PARABLE OF A YOUNG MAN WHO LEFT HOME AND WANDERED INTO A FAR COUNTRY WHERE, IN ADVENTURE AFTER ADVENTURE AND SENSATION AFTER SENSATION, HE SOUGHT LIFE. BUT HE NEVER FOUND IT; HE FOUND ONLY FRUSTRATION AND BEWILDERMENT. THE FARTHER HE MOVED FROM HIS FATHER'S HOUSE, THE CLOSER HE CAME TO THE HOUSE OF DESPAIR. THE MORE HE DID WHAT HE LIKED, THE LESS HE LIKED WHAT HE DID. AFTER THE BOY HAD WASTED ALL, A FAMINE DEVELOPED IN THE LAND, AND HE ENDED UP SEEKING FOOD IN A PIG'S TROUGH. BUT THE STORY DOES NOT END THERE. IT GOES ON TO SAY THAT IN THIS STATE OF DISILLUSIONMENT, BLINDING FRUSTRATION AND HOMESICKNESS, THE BOY "CAME TO HIMSELF" AND SAID, "I WILL ARISE AND GO TO MY FATHER, AND WILL SAY TO HIM, FATHER, I HAVE SINNED AGAINST HEAVEN AND BEFORE THEE." THE PRODIGAL SON WAS NOT HIMSELF WHEN HE LEFT HIS FATHER'S HOUSE OR WHEN HE DREAMED THAT PLEASURE WAS THE END OF LIFE. ONLY WHEN HE MADE UP HIS MIND TO GO HOME AND BE A SON AGAIN DID HE REALLY COME TO HIMSELF. THE PARABLE ENDS WITH THE BOY RETURNING HOME TO FIND A LOVING FATHER WAITING WITH OUTSTRETCHED ARMS AND HEART FILLED WITH UNUTTERABLE JOY.

THIS IS AN ANALOGY OF WHAT AMERICA CONFRONTS TODAY. LIKE ALL HUMAN ANALOGIES, IT IS IMPERFECT, BUT IT DOES SUGGEST SOME PARALLELS WORTH CONSIDERING. AMERICA HAS STRAYED TO THE FAR COUNTRY OF RACISM AND MILITARISM. THE HOME THAT ALL TOO MANY AMERICANS LEFT WAS SOLIDLY STRUCTURED IDEALISTICALLY. ITS PILLARS WERE SOUNDLY GROUNDED IN THE INSIGHTS OF OUR JUDEO-CHRISTIAN HERITAGE--ALL MEN ARE MADE IN THE IMAGE OF GOD; ALL MEN ARE BROTHERS; ALL MEN ARE CREATED EQUAL; EVERY MAN IS HEIR TO A LEGACY OF DIGNITY AND WORTH; EVERY MAN HAS RIGHTS THAT ARE NEITHER CONFERRED BY NOR DERIVED FROM THE STATE, THEY ARE GOD-GIVEN; OUT OF ONE BLOOD GOD MADE ALL MEN TO DWELL UPON THE FACE OF THE EARTH. WHAT A MARVELOUS FOUNDATION FOR ANY HOME! WHAT A GLORIOUS AND HEALTHY PLACE TO INHABIT! BUT AMERICA STRAYED AWAY; AND THIS UNNATURAL EXCURSION HAS BROUGHT ONLY CONFUSION AND BEWILDERMENT. IT HAS LEFT HEARTS ACHING WITH GUILT AND MINDS DISTORTED WITH IRRATIONALITY. IT HAS DRIVEN WISDOM FROM HER SACRED THRONE. THIS LONG AND CALLOUS SOJOURN IN THE FAR COUNTRY OF RACISM AND MILITARISM HAS BROUGHT A MORAL AND SPIRITUAL FAMINE TO THE NATION.

IT IS TIME FOR ALL PEOPLE OF CONSCIENCE TO CALL UPON AMERICA TO RETURN TO HER TRUE HOME OF BROTHERHOOD AND PEACEFUL PURSUITS. WE CANNOT REMAIN SILENT AS OUR NATION ENGAGES IN ONE OF HISTORY'S MOST CRUEL AND SENSELESS WARS.

AMERICA MUST CONTINUE TO HAVE, DURING THESE DAYS OF HUMAN TRAVAIL, A COMPANY OF CREATIVE DISSENTERS. WE NEED THEM BECAUSE THE THUNDER OF THEIR FEARLESS VOICES WILL BE THE ONLY SOUND STRONGER THAN THE BLASTS OF BOMBS AND THE CLAMOR OF WAR HYSTERIA.

THOSE OF US WHO LOVE PEACE MUST ORGANIZE AS EFFECTIVELY AS THE WAR HAWKS. AS THEY SPREAD THE PROPAGANDA OF WAR, WE MUST SPREAD THE PROPAGANDA OF PEACE. WE MUST COMBINE THE FERVOR OF THE CIVIL RIGHTS MOVEMENT WITH THE PEACE MOVEMENT. WE MUST DEMONSTRATE, TEACH AND PREACH, UNTIL THE VERY FOUNDATIONS OF OUR NATION ARE SHAKEN. WE MUST WORK UNCEASINGLY TO LIFT THIS NATION THAT WE LOVE TO A HIGHER DESTINY, TO A NEW PLATEAU OF COMPASSION, TO A MORE NOBLE EXPRESSION OF HUMANE-NESS.

I HAVE TRIED TO BE HONEST TODAY. TO BE HONEST IS TO CONFRONT THE TRUTH. TO BE HONEST IS TO REALIZE THAT THE ULTIMATE MEASURE OF A MAN IS NOT WHERE HE STANDS IN MOMENTS OF CONVENIENCE AND MOMENTS OF COMFORT, BUT WHERE HE STANDS IN MOMENTS OF CHALLENGE AND MOMENTS OF CONTROVERSY. HOWEVER UNPLEASANT AND INCONVENIENT THE TRUTH MAY BE, I BELIEVE WE MUST EXPOSE AND FACE IT IF WE ARE TO ACHIEVE A BETTER QUALITY OF AMERICAN LIFE.

JUST THE OTHER DAY, THE DISTINGUISHED AMERICAN HISTORIAN, HENRY STEELE COMMAGER, TOLD A SENATE COMMITTEE:

"JUSTICE HOLMES USED TO SAY THAT THE FIRST LESSON A JUDGE HAD TO LEARN WAS THAT HE WAS NOT GOD. WE DO TEND PERHAPS MORE THAN OTHER NATIONS, TO TRANSFORM OUR WARS INTO CRUSADES...OUR CURRENT INVOLVEMENT IN VIETNAM IS CAST, INCREASINGLY, INTO A MORAL MOLD...IT IS MY FEELING THAT WE DO NOT HAVE THE RESOURCES, MATERIAL, INTELLECTUAL OR MORAL, TO BE AT ONCE AN AMERICAN POWER, A EUROPEAN POWER AND AN ASIAN POWER."

I AGREE WITH MR. COMMAGER. AND I WOULD SUGGEST THAT THERE IS, HOWEVER, ANOTHER KIND OF POWER THAT AMERICA CAN AND SHOULD BE. IT IS A MORAL POWER. A POWER HARNESSSED TO THE SERVICE OF PEACE AND HUMAN BEINGS, NOT AN INHUMANE POWER UNLEASHED AGAINST DEFENSELESS PEOPLE. ALL THE WORLD KNOWS THAT AMERICA IS A GREAT MILITARY POWER. WE NEED NOT BE DILIGENT IN SEEKING TO PROVE IT. WE MUST NOW SHOW THE WORLD OUR MORAL POWER.

THERE IS AN ELEMENT OF URGENCY IN OUR RE-DIRECTING AMERICAN POWER. WE ARE NOW FACED WITH THE FACTS THAT TOMORROW IS TODAY. WE ARE CONFRONTED WITH THE FIERCE URGENCY OF NOW. IN THIS UNFOLDING CONUNDRUM OF LIFE AND HISTORY THERE IS SUCH A THING AS BEING TOO LATE. PROCRASTINATION IS STILL THE THIEF OF TIME. LIFE OFTEN LEAVES US STANDING BARE, NAKED AND DEJECTED WITH A LOST OPPORTUNITY. THE "TIDE IN THE AFFAIRS OF MEN" DOES NOT REMAIN AT FLOOD; IT EBBS. WE MAY CRY OUT DESPERATELY

FOR TIME TO PAUSE IN HER PASSAGE, BUT TIME IS ADAMANT TO EVERY PLEA AND RUSHES ON. OVER THE BLEACHED BONES AND JUMBLED RESIDUE OF NUMEROUS CIVILIZATIONS ARE WRITTEN THE PATHETIC WORDS: "TOO LATE". THERE IS AN INVISIBLE BOOK OF LIFE THAT FAITHFULLY RECORDS OUR VIGILANCE OR OUR NEGLECT. "THE MOVING FINGER WRITES, AND HAVING WRIT MOVES ON...." WE STILL HAVE A CHOICE TODAY: NONVIOLENT CO-EXISTENCE OR VIOLENT CO-ANNIHILATION. HISTORY WILL RECORD THE CHOICE WE MADE. IT IS STILL NOT TOO LATE TO MAKE THE PROPER CHOICE. IF WE DECIDE TO BECOME A MORAL POWER, WE WILL BE ABLE TO TRANSFORM THE JANGLING DISCORDS OF THIS WORLD INTO A BEAUTIFUL SYMPHONY OF BROTHERHOOD. IF WE MAKE THE WISE DECISION WE WILL BE ABLE TO TRANSFORM OUR PENDING COSMIC ELEGY INTO A CREATIVE PSALM OF PEACE. THIS WILL BE A GLORIOUS DAY, IN REACHING IT WE CAN FULFILL THE NOBLEST OF AMERICAN DREAMS.

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Dr. King's Causes

DR. MARTIN LUTHER KING is making it increasingly hard for observers to take him seriously as a champion of Negro rights. That cause seems to have taken second place to his growing fascination with protests and the danger of violence as ends in themselves. What interests Dr. King now, it seems, is any course of action that will inflame tempers on a mass scale, whether or not it can possibly serve the cause of civil rights.

Two of Dr. King's utterances over the week-end strengthen this feeling: his speech Saturday before an anti-administration "peace" rally at the Chicago Coliseum, and his warnings at a Friday press conference that this summer will see protest marches and demonstrations that will be "much more massive and more determined" than those held last summer unless more dramatic progress is made against Negro problems here. The plans include more open-occupancy marches on Cicero.

Dr. King's views on Viet Nam are his own business and we are not going to criticize them here, except from one standpoint—that of efficiency. It seems clear that if you want to get a job done, you concentrate on that job; you do not complicate it unnecessarily by borrowing extra trouble.

There is only one certain result of Dr. King's trying to ride the anti-war horse as well as his own: It will brand him uncompromisingly as an enemy in the eyes of many people who might otherwise have listened to what he was saying about civil rights. It will mobilize and multiply resistance to the rights movement for the sake of an issue irrelevant to it. Dr. King is weakening his own prestige, dividing and confusing the Negro rights movement by giving it multiple aims; and all, it seems, for the sake of making as many people as possible angry at him. Is this leadership?

The plans for more protest marches show the same short-sightedness. Whatever these marches accomplished at first, it is surely clear that by now they have become counter-productive. The main result of last summer's marches was to organize and harden resistance to open housing in the communities where they took place. In Cicero, for instance, one outgrowth of the Labor day march was the formation of Citizens for Cicero and Berwyn, an "information" group which pounces on any hint of a move to lower the suburbs' racial barriers.

According to one Negro pastor, the Rev. Henry Mitchell of Lawndale's North Star Missionary Baptist church, the situation is worse now than it was before Dr. King started his Chicago campaign. In a survey of some 5,000 people in the Lawndale area, he said, "only about 10 said they wanted Dr. King to return to Chicago."

Dr. King did leave some room for hope. Tho he took some roundhouse swings at the leadership council formed to carry out last summer's "summit" agreement on open housing, he conceded that all was not lost; that there are "many decent, respected and sincere persons on the council who have not broken faith." We do not believe anyone has broken faith or intends to, and can only hope that Dr. King can be persuaded not to break his.

We appeal to him to start concentrating on making progress instead of making enemies. Believe it or not, Dr. King, there is a difference.

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On March 25, 1967, a confidential source who has furnished reliable information in the past, advised that he had learned that Martin Luther King and Stanley Levison were in conference on that date. Their contact was in regard to matters pertinent to the SCLC.

Levison was very concerned over King's involvement in anti-Vietnam war activities and in particular, the effect it will have on the SCLC. Levison had in mind King's decision to participate in the April 15, 1967, anti-war demonstration to be held in New York City (NYC) outside the United Nations (UN) headquarters. In elaborating, Levison pointed out that the SCLC had to bear in mind that in the fund raising letters which it had sent out, no mention was ever made of the peace issue and no request was made for money for peace activities. Levison was of the opinion that King would be asked by the press to explain why that was not done.

King was of the opinion that something should be sent to SCLC contributors explaining that his involvement in peace activities was a matter of personal conscience on his part and that as an organization, the SCLC is basically committed to civil rights activities, and that it does not use any of its funds for peace activities.

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Levison was in agreement with King's suggestion and commented that contributions to the SCLC had not fallen off as a consequence of King's recent statements on the Vietnam war. Levison's apprehension over King's decision to get involved was not due to any specific criticism or loss of funds but instead, was anticipatory of future complaints. Levison pointed out that their fund raising activities are for civil rights and not for peace activities. It was his feeling that a fraud would be committed if some explanation was not made to contributors. Levison agreed to handle the matter himself, thereby relieving King of the responsibilities inherent to such a task.

Levison inquired of King if he had been told about a letter which Joan Daves (publishers representative) had received from Norman Cousins, the Editor of the "Saturday Review", pointing out that this publication would not run any of King's articles or any of the SCLC's material, since King and his organization had become active in the anti-war demonstrations. Cousins said the name of King and the SCLC would be mud within six months, therefore, it would not be profitable to run any of their articles. King commented that he had sent Andrew Young, the Executive Director of the SCLC, to see Cousins to explain the positions of King and the SCLC. Levison wanted to know if Cousins changed his opinion after being informed that it was a matter of conscience on King's part which had changed his position on the war in Vietnam. Cousins' position was such that he felt that peace demonstrations were "Hate America" forces and that they would end up doing more harm than good; that they would bring about a climate that would really call more for escalation than de-escalation. Levison was of the opinion that Norman Cousins had always been very much in the right wing of the peace movement.

Another matter considered by Levison and King was the SCLC's program in Chicago. It was Levison who brought up what he described as the housing proposition and in that regard, said he had informed Chauncey Eskridge (Chicago attorney and advisor to King) that he would contribute \$7,500.00 and another \$1,000.00 toward the expenses incident to the program. The expenses, Levison commented, have already amounted to

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over \$4,000.00 and he did not see any possibility of them decreasing in the future. The one thing about the program which bothers Levison is the lack of competence of the people who are administering the program. Consequently, he felt a very serious responsibility to the businessmen of Chicago who have put their money in the venture. Levison advised King to explain the risks inherent to these men and to get their word that they are doing this voluntarily.

King, the source advised, has already contacted the men who have a business interest in the Chicago project and came away with their support after being told by King that their risks were minimized. After learning this, Levison was incensed that King had assured them of such a thing. He inquired as to whom King had relied upon as his economic advisors and after learning that Chauncey Eskridge and Jess Gill had been consulted, commented that neither knows anything about economics.

It was King's impression that all the Chicago business investors had agreed to stay with the project, and had unanimously agreed with the idea of six per cent interest. But what is actually needed to get the project underway, according to King, is \$25,000.00 to \$30,000.00. Levison expressed pessimism, but agreed to leave a certain amount of money in the project because he is willing to risk it in order to do something constructive.

King wanted to know if Levison would be able to attend the forthcoming meeting of the SCLC Board. Levison was not certain that he would, since he was away for a couple of weeks, during which time his personal business suffered considerably.

The source said that he was also able to ascertain that King informed Levison of a meeting which he, King, had attended in Atlanta, Georgia, last week, during which time he put on paper the kind of structure the SCLC should have. It was King's impression that the Executive Staff of the SCLC

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received his recommendations very enthusiastically. In elaborating, King mentioned that he was trying to get an Executive Director for the Chicago operation and T. Y. Rogers, as Director of Affiliates and Joseph Lowery as Executive Secretary. (u) b

Levison and King ended their conference with Levison's reassurance that King was taking the right stand on the Vietnam war. King acknowledged that he would probably get a lot of criticism, but was of the opinion that this country's position is so wrong that a prophecy is needed. It was his opinion that he should be the prophet to inform the country of this fact. (u) b

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On March 27, 1967, a confidential source, who has furnished reliable information in the past, advised that information had come to his attention which disclosed that Martin Luther King, the President of the Southern Christian Leadership Conference (SCLC), Stanley Levison and Joan Daves, the publisher's representative of King's books, were in conference on that date. The following was what transpired during this conference:

Daves pointed out that with regard to King's latest book, various chapters were sent out to magazines including the "Saturday Evening Post", but none agreed to publish. It was King's decision to publish a book and not try to get other magazines to publish his works. His decision was on advice from Levison that he should not try to get his book printed in magazine installments since it was his opinion that the time is not right for this kind of book.

With regard to King's personal plans, it was learned that he would be in Louisville, Kentucky on March 28, 1967, and would remain there until Friday, March 31, 1967. The purpose of his trip was unknown to the source. The source was able to learn, however, that upon his return to Atlanta on Friday, King will address the Georgia Teachers Association. It is believed that King's presence in Louisville will be to attend the Board Meeting of the SCLC.

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Following their conference with Joan Daves, Levison and King met together during which time they discussed the whole question as to how to approach foundations, in light of King's stand on Vietnam. Both men agreed that they might not be able to get the support of the foundations, so instead of having to rely on the foundations, they should think of other avenues through which they could get funds for the SCLC and for King personally. Consequently, they decided that a meeting would be held in New York City on Tuesday, April 4, 1967, to discuss this matter. Among those who are expected to attend are Harry Wachtel, Chauncey Eskridge (Chicago attorney) and Jessie Jackson. *H.Y.*

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It was also revealed that on the same date as the New York meeting of April 4, 1967, King will attend and address a meeting at the Riverside Church, New York, New York, the purpose of which will be to neutralize any adverse criticism he might receive for having agreed to participate in the march against the war in Vietnam scheduled for April 15, 1967. The march in question is the one being sponsored by the Spring Mobilization Committee to End the War in Vietnam which is to commence in Central Park, New York and go to the United Nations.

The address which King will make on Tuesday night at Riverside Church will be attended by students from Union Theological Seminary, Columbia University and by people from every walk of life. Along with the address, King will make a press statement explaining why he felt the need for taking a greater stand against the war and also making it clear that it was his own decision and did not involve the SCLC. *u*

In discussing his trip to New York on Tuesday, King set the meeting with Levison and other advisors for 10:00 a.m. at the New York Hilton Hotel. In this regard, Levison desires to make a statement to Wachtel and the others in attendance that he has King's permission to hold finance meetings in King's absence. It is felt by Levison that Wachtel hesitates to act in the absence of King which delays Levison in his fund raising activities in behalf of the SCLC.

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With reference to fund raising activities, it was learned by the source that Levison wants to draw in some volunteers for fund raising and according to Levison, these people would become members of the Finance Committee. He is dissatisfied with the haphazard approach that has been used by the SCLC.



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Harry Wachtel is the Executive Vice
President of the Gandhi Society for Human
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With respect to the Gandhi Society for Human Rights, it is to be noted that this organization is an adjunct of the Southern Christian Leadership Conference (SCLC), of which Martin Luther King, Jr. is the president, and serves to raise funds for the SCLC.

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APPENDIX

NATIONAL LAWYERS GUILD

The "Guide to Subversive Organizations and Publications," revised and published as of December 1, 1961, prepared and released by the Committee on Un-American Activities, United States House of Representatives, Washington, D.C., contains the following concerning the National Lawyers Guild:

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- "1. Cited as a Communist front.
(Special Committee on Un-American Activities, House Report 1311 on the CIO Political Action Committee, March 29, 1944, p. 149.),
- "2. Cited as a Communist front which 'is the foremost legal bulwark of the Communist Party, its front organizations, and controlled unions' and which 'since its inception has never failed to rally to the legal defense of the Communist Party and individual members thereof, including known espionage agents.'
(Committee on Un-American Activities, House Report 3123 on the National Lawyers Guild, September 21, 1950, originally related September 17, 1950.)
- "3. 'To defend the cases of Communist lawbreakers, fronts have been devised making special appeals in behalf of civil liberties and reaching out far beyond the confines of the Communist Party itself. Among these organizations are the * * * National Lawyers Guild. When the Communist Party itself is under fire these offer a bulwark of protection.'
(Internal Security Subcommittee of the Senate Judiciary Committee, Handbook for Americans, S. Doc. 117, April 23, 1956, p. 91.)"

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Title	MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.
Character	SECURITY MATTER - C
Reference	Letterhead Memorandum at Atlanta dated and captioned as above.

All sources (except any listed below) whose identities are concealed in referenced communication have furnished reliable information in the past.

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1 - Mr. C. D. Brennan
1 - Mr. D. M. Wells

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To: SAC, New Haven

From: Director, FBI (100-106670)

MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.
SECURITY MATTER - C

Re: airtel 3/27/67 and Bureau telephone call to
New Haven 3/28/67.

New Haven is instructed to disregard lead set forth
in above referenced airtel inasmuch as it does not appear pertinent
to our investigation of subject.

1 - Atlanta (100-5586)

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NOTE:

Above reference airtel requests New Haven to contact
[redacted] to determine which of two minor sons King took with
him on trip to Hartford, Connecticut. In view of possible
embarrassment to Bureau, SA [redacted] night supervisor, Division
5, on 3/28/67 telephonically advised SA [redacted] on ASAC's
desk in New Haven to disregard this lead.

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (100-106670)

FROM: SAC, ATLANTA (100-5586)

MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.
SM - CRe New Haven airtel and LHM to Bureau 3/22/67
captioned "COMINFIL OF SCLC, IS - C".

Re LHM reflects that on 3/12/67 MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR., President, SCLC, was in Hartford, Conn., for the purpose of speaking at a testimonial for Reverend RICHARD A. BATTLES. LHM also reflects that KING was accompanied by his son and Reverend WYATT TEE WALKER.

Atlanta's investigation of MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR., has indicated the amount of time KING spends with his children is practically negligible. The fact he had one of his children accompany him on a trip to Hartford is almost unprecedented.

KING has two sons, one DEXTER SCOTT KING, age 5, and the other MARTIN LUTHER KING, III, age 9.

If feasible, New Haven is requested to contact [redacted] indicated to have been the source of information in referenced LHM, in effort to determine which of the aforementioned children accompanied KING on 3/12/67.

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 FROM: SAC, CHICAGO
 SUBJECT: RICHARD CLAXTON GREGORY
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 Chicago 157-347

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 LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE (SCLC)
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 Bufile 100-438794
 Chicago 105-16238

COORDINATING COUNCIL FOR
 BLACK POWER (CCBP)
 RM
 Bufile 157-6340
 Chicago 157-1465

Re Chicago telephone call 3/16/67, to Louisville.
 Chicago tel, 3/16/67, to Bureau, Louisville, and Atlanta,
 captioned "Louisville Open Housing Ordinance, March, 1967 -
 RM" and "Cominfil - SCLC. Chicago tel, 3/16/67, to Bureau

- ⑦ Bureau (Enc. 15) (RM)
 1 - 100-106670 (MARTIN LUTHER KING, Jr.)
 1 - 100-447080 (STOKELY CARMICHAEL)

- 4 - Atlanta (Enc. 4) (RM)
 1 - 100-5718 (COMINFIL - SCLC)
 1 - 100-5586 (MARTIN LUTHER KING, Jr.)
 1 - 157-895 (HOSEA WILLIAMS)
 1 - 100-6812 (STOKELY CARMICHAEL)

- 5 - Louisville (Enc. 5) (RM)
 1 - 157-40 (Open Housing Ordinance, Louisville, Kentucky)
 1 - 100- (COMINFIL - SCLC)
 1 - 157- (HOSEA WILLIAMS)
 4 - New York (RM) (Encl. 4)
 1 - 100- (ADAM CLAYTON POWELL, Jr.)
 1 - 157-381 (DICK GREGORY)

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and New York captioned RICHARD CLAXTON GREGORY - RM.
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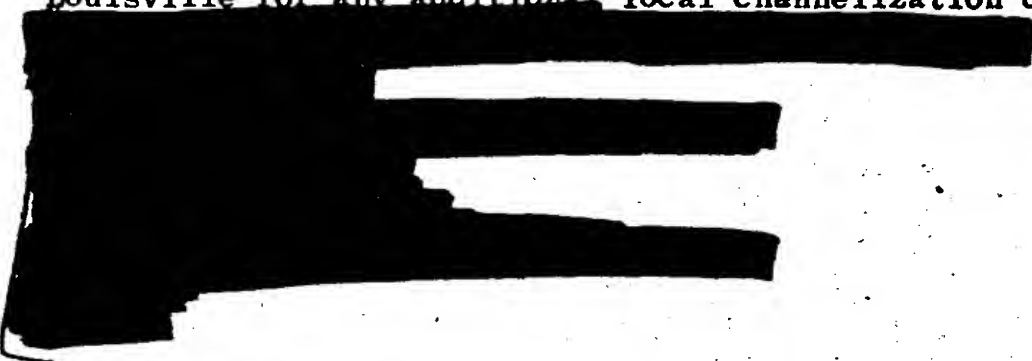
Enclosed for the Bureau are 14 copies of LHM
pertaining to captioned matters.. Copies are designated
for interested offices as indicated below.

Copies locally of this memorandum are being
designated to the USA and Secret Service, Chicago, had
to Region 1, 113th MI Group, Evanston, Illinois.

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Chicago is following and any additional pertinent
data developed will be appropriately provided the Bureau and
any interested office.

The character for the SCLC in the enclosed is
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Chicago, Illinois

March 17, 1967

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RICHARD CLAXTON GREGORY
RACIAL MATTER;

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RACIAL MATTER;

COORDINATING COUNCIL FOR
BLACK POWER (CCBP)
RACIAL MATTER

Reference is made to Chicago memorandum of March 10, 1967, under the caption, "Southern Christian Leadership Conference (SCLC), Racial Matter," and "Demonstrations, Chicago Freedom Movement (CFM) - Southern Christian Leadership Conference (SCLC), Chicago, Illinois, Racial Matter."

Reference additionally is made to Chicago memorandum of March 15, 1967, under the caption "Coordinating Council for Black Power (CCBP), Racial Matter."

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Chicago Police Department

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United States Secret Service, Chicago

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Region I, 113th MI Group, Evanston, Illinois.

A copy of this memorandum is being disseminated to Secret Service and the Office of the United States Attorney, both Chicago, Illinois, and to Region I, 113th MI Group, Evanston, Illinois.

Descriptive data concerning the Deacons of Defense and Justice, Inc., is being attached to this memorandum.

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APPENDIX

DEACONS OF DEFENSE AND JUSTICE, INC.,
Aka. Deacons for Defense and Justice, Inc.

The Articles of Incorporation of the Deacons of Defense and Justice (DDJ) as on file with the Secretary of State, for the State of Louisiana, reflects that the Deacons of Defense and Justice, Inc., is a Louisiana corporation domiciled at Jonesboro, Louisiana. The location and business office address of its registered office shall be Amos Service Station (rear), Beach Spring Road, Drawer B., Jonesboro, Louisiana.

"This corporation is organized for the following purposes and to carry on the following purposes:-

"To instruct, train, teach and educate Citizens of the United States and especially minority groups in the fundamental principles of the republican form of government and our democratic way of life; to instruct, teach, train and educate said persons in the provisions of the constitution and laws of the United States and the State of Louisiana; as well as the constitution and laws of any other state wherein this corporation may operate; to instruct, teach, train and educate said persons in the use, value, and purpose of the ballot and the right to vote; to instruct, teach, train and educate said persons as to the duties and responsibilities of good citizenship relative to the obligation and duties of the community to the citizen; to further instruct, teach, train and educate said persons in the value of economic security and in the effective use of their spending power; to inspire in said persons a sense of responsibility and to develop leadership. This corporation has for its further purpose, and is dedicated to, the defense of the civil rights, property rights and personal rights of said people and will defend said rights by any and all honorable and legal means to the end that justice may be obtained. This corporation may establish chapters and conduct its business at any place in this State and elsewhere as permitted by law."

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (100-106670)

FROM: ST. LOUIS (100-17801) RUC

RE: MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.
SM-C

Re Chicago tel 3/25/67.

On 3/25/67, [REDACTED]

[REDACTED], were advised of the possibility that MARTIN LUTHER KING may be in St. Louis and may have arrived via air. They advised efforts would be made to determine if KING is in St. Louis and locate him if here.

Also on 3/25/67, informants and liaison sources were requested to determine if KING was in St. Louis and his whereabouts.

On both 3/25 and 3/26/67, informants and sources advised no information could be developed that KING has been in or was coming to St. Louis, Mo.

[REDACTED] advised on 3/25 and 3/26 that efforts to determine if KING was in St. Louis indicated no information he was here or was coming. This included a check of all airlines and pretext contacts with various individuals.

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1 - St. Louis
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